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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/689,254
Title: ANTERIOR AND INFERIOR SEGMENT VENTRICULAR
RESTORATION APPARATUS AND METHOD
Subject: Revocation and Grant of Power of Attorney
Old Reference No. 258/075
Our Reference No. 109841-12

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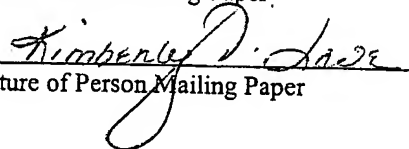
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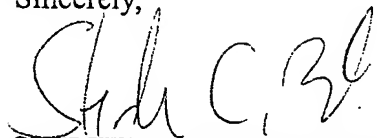
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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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REVOCATION AND GRANT OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

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Sir:

CorRestore, Inc., assignee of the enumerated patent applications and patents below, hereby revokes all previous powers of attorney or authorizations of agent and appoints as its attorneys and/or agents, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute these patent applications and patents and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and in countries other than the United States, and to do all things necessary or appropriate therefor before any competent international authorities in connection with any international patent applications and patents corresponding to these patent applications and patents, Stephen C. Beuerle, Reg. No. 38,380, Troy M. Schmelzer, Reg. No. 36,667; Anthony Dain, Reg. No. 46,651; Kamwah W. Li, Reg. No. 34,211; John S. Kyle, Reg. No. 48,318; and Vahid Sharifi, Reg. No. 45,828.

- 1) U.S. Patent No. 6,024,096, (Application No. 09/071,817)
- 2) U.S. Patent No. 6,221,104, (Application No. 09/235,664)
- 3) U.S. Patent Application No. 09/481,755
- 4) U.S. Patent Application No. 09/689,254
- 5) U.S. Patent Application No. 09/860,699

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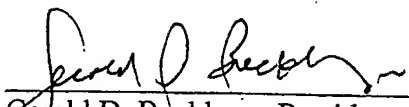
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The undersigned is authorized to sign this document on behalf of CorRestore, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,

CorRestore, Inc.

Dated: 2/11/02

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments to the above-captioned application before examination of this case:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please change the title to --ANTERIOR AND INFERIOR SEGMENT VENTRICULAR RESTORATION APPARATUS AND METHOD--;

After the heading "Background of the Invention" insert the following sub-heading and paragraph:

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--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS--

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No., 09/689,254, filed October 11, 2000, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No., 09/235,664, filed January 22, 1999, U.S. Pat. No. 6,221,104, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/071,817, filed May 1, 1998, U.S. Pat. No. 6,024,096.--

On page 2, line 21, replace “sternum” with --septum--;

On page 5, line 11, after “lung” replace “congestive” with --congestion--;

On page 10, line 9, delete “taken along lines 10-10 of Fig. 9 and”;

On page 12, line 24, replace “which” with --and--;

On page 13, line 8, replace “when” with --before--;

On page 15, line 13, replace “50” with --58--;

On page 15, line 23, replace “50” with --58--;

On page 16, line 13, replace “infraction” with --infarction--;

On page 18, line 16, replace “infraction” with --infarction--;

On page 21, line 19, replace “90” with --91--;

On page 22, line 14, replace “claim 18” with --Figures 16 and 18--;

On page 23, line 16, replace “The’ with --With reference to Figure 18, the--;

On page 22, line 17, insert --With reference to Figure 19,-- before “the ring”;

On page 22, line 23, replace “The” before “second” with --With reference to Figure 20, the--;

On page 23, line 16, replace the first instance of “Figure” with --Figures 22A and--;

On page 23, line 16, replace “51” with --21--;

On page 23, line 23, replace “22” with --22A--;

On page 24, lines 14-15, delete “over the” and insert --over the-- after “wall 41”;

On page 26, line 12, replace “value” with --valve--; and

On page 26, line 12, replace “intra-aortic” with --intra-atrial--;

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims 7-15:

7. (New) A ventricular patch adapted for placement relative to the inferior wall of the heart, comprising:

a sheet of biocompatible material;

a continuous ring fixed to the sheet and to be sewn to an inner surface of the inferior wall of the heart to restore the ventricular architecture of the heart.

8. (New) The ventricular patch of claim 7, wherein the ring defines a central area of the patch inwardly of the ring and an outer rim of the patch outwardly of the ring.

9. (New) The ventricular patch of claim 8, wherein the outer rim of the patch includes a generally constant width around the central area of the patch.

10. (New) The ventricular patch of claim 8, wherein the outer rim of the patch is sewn to an inner surface of the inferior wall of the heart outwardly of the ring to inhibit the leakage of blood by the patch.

11. (New) The ventricular patch of claim 7, wherein the central area of the patch defines a portion of the ventricle of the heart during use.

12. (New) The ventricular patch of claim 7, wherein the sheet of biocompatible material is in the shape of a triangle.

13. (New) The ventricular patch of claim 7, wherein the continuous ring is in the shape of a triangle.

14. (New) The ventricular patch of claim 7, wherein the sheet of biocompatible material and the continuous ring are in the shape of a triangle.

15. (New) The ventricular patch of claim 14, wherein the ring defines a central area of the patch inwardly of the ring and an outer rim of the patch outwardly of the ring, and the outer rim of the patch includes a generally constant width around the central area of the patch.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be entered before examination of the above-captioned application. Original claims 1-6 have been canceled, and new claims 7-15 added, to set forth further subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention.

CONCLUSION

On the basis of the above, early allowance of the application is believed to be warranted and such action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this amendment, a telephone call to the undersigned at the number listed below is respectfully urged.

Respectfully submitted,

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